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# letters

## WILL THE VOTERS GET TO DECIDE?

I'd like to thank Michelle Holman and Kai Huschke for their insightful and powerful Viewpoint on Nov. 30, "Making Democracy Illegal: The increasing attacks on citizen initiative power."

It provokes some questions. What will happen with the Protect Lane County Watersheds initiative, currently being circulated for signature gathering? Will it be successful in getting to the ballot? Will it get the votes needed to make it into law? Will that law be contested in court? Our water and community would be well served by the proposed protections in this initiative. Let's give it our best, Lane County! See [ProtectLaneCountyWatersheds.org](http://ProtectLaneCountyWatersheds.org).

Katie Geiser  
Eugene

## YET ANOTHER LAWLESS TIMBER GRAB

The Warner Creek road blockade — declared the "Cascadia Free State" — in 1995-96 was a coalescing of a deep ecological resistance movement brought about by then-President Bill Clinton's enactment of the lawless Logging Rider in 1995 to log and clearcut million acres of our national forests. Road blockades and tree sits against Clinton's lawless timber grab proceeded for 10 more years.

Twenty-eight years forward, President Joe Biden and the U.S. Forest Service have enacted a new "Lawless Logging Timber Grab" upon 45 million acres of national forests across the country using the Orwellian guise of "wildfire risk reduction" and "restoration" to again log and clearcut our last ancient forests. The provisions were snuck into the Infrastructure Act of 2021. If allowed to proceed, this new timber grab upon our national forests will release an estimated 4 gigatons of carbon equivalent by 2030, which would completely wipe out any gains the Biden administration has enacted against climate upheaval.

Will the people of Cascadia and beyond defend their homeland and biosphere by beating back Biden's lawless timber grab like citizens did from 1995 to 2000? Defending and preserving our last ancient forests will create real gains in curtailing the looming ecological and climate collapse.

Shannon Wilson  
Glenwood

## NO PUBLIC BAILOUT FOR MLB MILLIONAIRES

Let me get this straight: Our local minor league baseball team would like hefty contributions from local, county, state and even federal taxpayers to build a \$100 million stadium right next to an established residential neighborhood.

The story we're told is that Major League Baseball (MLB) will not pay for the stadium; if we want a team here we need to foot the bill.

Well, here's what MLB recently announced they will pay for: a \$700 million, 10-year contract for a player named Shohei Ohtani. This means that, averaged over the 10 years, this person gets \$70 million a year, \$5.8 million a month, \$1.3 million a week, \$192,000 a day. And that's just one player! Yet they ask us to pay for a stadium. I find that insulting.

I look forward to voting no on any ballot measure asking for stadium funds.

Steve Hering  
Eugene

## THE U.S. STANDS ALONE IN OPPOSING A CEASE-FIRE

What keeps me up at night is all the children buried alive under the rubble in Gaza. They live right now, trapped in utter terror and desperation, waiting for rescue. Right now they cry, hoping someone will hear them. This is the fate of dozens, maybe hundreds, of Palestinians.

Our country stands alone in its vote to continue the violence. The hypocrisy of our veto against a global consensus for cease fire is plain for all to see. Whatever tenuous lie we feed ourselves in the isolation of the American perspective will bear only poison fruit. Until one day we may find our own children screaming in the darkness under the rubble, and wonder how the world can sleep at night knowing of such injustice.

I can no longer sleep soundly as an American. Not because of some privileged self interest for my own kin and country, but because nothing could ever persuade me to set aside empathy for any child suffering alone in darkness. All the world, save our narrow Anglo-Israeli alliance, acknowledges that same human empathy. This is the line in the sand which all of conscience should rush to find themselves on the right side of. It's the right side of history, which opposes selfish and short-sighted political

interests that any free people should turn their backs on. I turn my back on this America, and I pray we can look our own children in the eye if we allow the totality of this genocide to unfold.

Eric Howanietz  
Eugene

## THANKS FOR GIVING US AN OPINION FORUM

As the year comes to a close, I want to thank *Eugene Weekly* for the incredible opinion forum they provide for our letters. Current opinions include the conflict in Gaza, the mayoral campaign, health care, the need for the astrology column.

Many of us learn from the points of view of others, on national issues like renewing the expanded Child Tax Credit, local issues like elections, global issues like the End TB Now Act and conflicts like Gaza. And this is just one aspect of a very informative and entertaining local paper. Let's continue to share our ideas and speak up in response to others, this supports the paper and our democracy!

Willie Dickerson  
Snohomish, Washington

## FOCUS ON KINDNESS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

With so much fear, chaos, wars and hateful voices, my sense of sadness turned to hope as I once again watched *It's a Wonderful Life*, seeing George Bailey, in his darkest hour, rescued by his neighbors and singing "We'll take a cup of kindness yet for Auld Lang Syne."

I can choose kindness instead of complaining or shutting others out of my life. I have my wonderful neighborhood, where we come from different countries and backgrounds but care for each other through thick and thin. My UMC faith community has "Open Hearts, Open Doors." Health Care for All Oregon is leading the way to a simplified health care system with everybody in and nobody out. I can work with these folks and groups that are seeking peace, justice, hope and health for all, thus not contributing to the anger, hate and sadness in our country and world.

As a 94-year-old retired nurse, I am hopeful that we'll all share cups of kindness as our gift to family, friends and even with those we may not agree with this holiday season.

Shirley Kingsbury  
Eugene



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# Insecurity Measures

## THE HULT CENTER AND TWO OTHER EUGENE MUSIC VENUES USE SCANNERS FROM A COMPANY UNDER FIRE FOR LETTING WEAPONS SLIP BY IN SCHOOLS

By Emma J Nelson

In October, Eugene's Hult Center for the Performing Arts leased AI-powered security scanners for \$170,000 a year to "ensure a secure environment." However, the Massachusetts corporation that created the magnetometers, Evolv Technology, is now under investigation by the Federal Trade Commission for allegedly misrepresenting its product's capabilities.

Internet Protocol Video Market, a research group that analyzes security and surveillance technology, found in December 2022 that Evolv had paid the National Center for Spectator Sports Safety and Security, a government-funded academic center, an estimated \$20,000 to doctor the results on its product testing.

When asked if he was aware of the FTC's investigation or IPVM's report before leasing the devices on Aug. 30, Hult Center General Manager Jeff Weinkauf said he wasn't.

"In our research, we noted that Evolv was widely used by facilities doing similar work and came highly recommended by those groups," Weinkauf says. "One of the most attractive elements was that the system could support ingress of large crowds in a short time which met our goal of limiting impact on our attendees."

According to Weinkauf, he was able to see how Evolv operates at the Cuthbert Amphitheater. Both the Cuthbert and the McDonald Theatre also use Evolv magnetometers.

IPVM found in its Dec. 6, 2022, report that NCS4 allowed Evolv "to set evaluation criteria, extensively redline the final released

report and cover up testing failures in its weapons detection system used in schools, museums, theme parks, stadiums and other venues across the U.S."

According to a May article in *The Intercept*, the Utica School District in New York installed Evolv Technology scanners in 13 schools. School authorities noted that the magnetometers, which the district spent \$4 million on, have allowed knives and a police officer's revolver through without flagging them. One student was able to carry a knife past the scanners on Oct. 31, 2022, and stabbed a fellow student.

Although there was no one incident that inspired the use of the security scanners at the Hult Center, Weinkauf says, "Having a plan that is just based around hope and the goodwill of people in our area is not enough."

Weinkauf says he worries about large gathering spaces such as performing arts centers being considered "softer targets," and he hopes that recent security upgrades can mitigate this danger.

"People place a lot of trust in us when they come here," Weinkauf says. "We just want to make sure that we're as safe as possible, that we're doing our due diligence to provide a safe place for everyone."

When something is flagged by the magnetometers, the patron is asked to visit the resolution table where they can be manually checked for weapons or prohibited paraphernalia. Thus far, Weinkauf says, the Evolv scanners have stopped off-duty police officers carrying firearms and some people with forgotten pocket knives. Weinkauf says that the Hult Center team is able to limit wait time at the resolution table to under a minute, especially when the system flags a false positive.

"Evolv was never presented to us as a single solution to all of our screening needs," Weinkauf says. "Additionally, we use Evolv in a multi-layered approach and do not rely solely on its technology to secure our facility."

In addition to installing Evolv scanners, the Hult Center has also upgraded from its previous 12 security cameras to more than 40 HD cameras placed internally and externally, Weinkauf says.

"The posture is not 'We're watching you,'" he says. "It's more 'We want to provide a space where people can feel completely welcome and as safe as possible, within reason, to come and have great experiences.'"

Weinkauf says that, as of now, he and the Hult Center are comfortable with the use of Evolv.

"I would absolutely be looking into any of those allegations," he says. "We would do our due diligence and follow up." ■

# HAPPENING PEOPLE

By Paul Neevel

## Riley Derrick

"I've always been the class clown," Riley Derrick says. "The people I modeled were David Letterman and Bill Murray. I stayed up late in middle school to see them." A seventh-generation Oregonian whose ancestors arrived by covered wagon, Derrick was a bat boy for the Eugene Emeralds while in middle school, and his first paid job, at age 15, was in Farrell's Ice Cream Parlour. After graduation from Churchill High School, he found a job at the local Costco Wholesale Warehouse. "I've worked there for 23 years," he recounts. "I started out at the gas station, then moved through electronics and the photo lab. I did printing in the photo lab and wound up talking with people about weddings and funerals. The most rewarding part of the work was trying to help people." He went on to supervise the Costco front end, where the registers are, and he writes the schedule for all the front end employees. "I'm a fan of David McCullough," Derrick says. "He's the author of *John Adams* and *Truman*. I went to hear him speak, and he talked about how important it is to share what you love. It's become a mantra to me." In 2019, Derrick began to assemble art installations in his personal staff locker, a small 9x12-inch box among many others on the wall of a long hallway from the registers to the restrooms. "I started putting pictures in it, photos of my dad, toys from my childhood, stuff that made me happy," he notes. "When I showed it to people, they flipped out. Now I leave it open, even when I'm not there. I've done around 10 different lockers: always a Christmas locker, sometimes a Halloween locker. My original childhood locker remains up five or six months at a time." Over the years, Derrick has designed and built a lot of office decor, front yard decor and kids bedroom decor. In the photograph, he shows off one of his creative endeavors, a cutout of Punxsutawney Phil, constructed for a Groundhog Day party. "I love Groundhog Day," he explains, "and I wanted to share that with my family and friends."





• Enjoy this week's Give Guide and the Winter Solstice and ponder all that is good in the world. **Also ponder how much you love Eugene Weekly** because, as of now, this will be our last print issue until after the New Year.

But find us online at EugeneWeekly.com and get your fill of news and snark in our Tuesday and Thursday email newsletters, which you can sign up for at EugeneWeekly.com/newsletter.

• The city of Eugene reports that there were more than 220,000 scooter rides in the first eight months of the year-long e-scooter pilot program. **The city also reports that you e-scooter-haters will be happy to hear that the program is no more.** Locally, the scooters were administered by Cascadia Mobility, but Superpedestrian — which operates in 60 cities across the globe, owns the scooters and the software used to run the program — has shut down for “financial reasons.”

• **It's nice that Gov. Tina Kotek finally made it to Lane County on the final stop of her not-quite-whirlwind around-the-state listening tour.** We hope she enjoyed the visit — but we also hope she comes back real soon. As the more rural parts of the state have complained, Oregon isn't just Portland and Salem, and those of us living in the southern end of the Willamette Valley wouldn't mind a little more attention now and then.



Photo by Todd Cooper

• **The new Eugene YMCA's ribbon cutting and open house was Saturday, Dec. 15.** Welcoming hundreds of folks to the fancy new athletic digs were several local muralists whose art decorate the Y's walls — Esteban Camacho Steffensen, Ila Rose, Liza Mana Burns, Nick Rusnock and *Eugene Weekly's* own Chelsea Lovejoy.

• **Correction: Rep. Val Hoyle's communications director disputes a claim made in a letter to the editor published Dec. 14 that Hoyle “slunk off around the corner” to avoid demonstrators** against the Israeli war in Gaza at her congressional office. The demonstration was at Hoyle's Eugene office, says Hoyle staffer Shamma Matalbert, and Hoyle was at her D.C. office that day. Letter writer Susan Shafroth responds, “I am fine if you want to remove that part of my letter, as the part about funding the military over the homeless man in front of her office is by far more important to me.”

• In this week's keeping tabs on the *New York Times*, the **Dec. 18 story headlined “How College Football Is Clobbering Housing Markets Across the Country” raised our eyebrows** as we hear tales of students and fixed income folks struggling to afford housing in Eugene. The *NYT* writes that around the U.S., “in small cities reliant on college sports to keep their economies humming, short-term rentals are destabilizing housing markets, fueled by wealthy fans and investors who transform single-family homes into de facto hotels for a few weeks out of the year, and often leave them sitting empty the rest of the time.” Huh.

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"From KLCC to *The Register-Guard* to the little red boxes of *Eugene Weekly*, the community needs news sources. Whether it's a subscription to a daily paper, a contribution to public radio or supporting *EW*'s efforts to put out a paper for the past 40 or so years, support your local news source." — *Camilla Mortensen, Eugene Weekly editor*

## Helping those in need

### Burrito Brigade

541-556-5051 or 541-632-3239, [info@burritobrigade](mailto:info@burritobrigade). [BurritoBrigade.org](http://BurritoBrigade.org).

"I have watched them grow from some Whiteaker folks making vegan burritos for the unhoused in 2013 into a group making 500 to 700 burritos every weekend, establishing 55 free little pantries hosted in neighborhoods across Eugene-Springfield and running a free grocery store stocked with rescued and donated food serving 1,200 families per month." — *Chris Calise, volunteer*

### Community Supported Shelters

1160 Grant Street, Eugene, OR 97402. 541-683-0836. [CommunitySupportedShelters.org](http://CommunitySupportedShelters.org).

"I believe in CSS because they do so much that helps the unhoused obtain housing, jobs, food and whatever other support they need." — *Devin Sharp, volunteer*

### Lane County Diaper Bank

5729 Main Street #176, Springfield, OR 97478. 541-221-0824. [LCDiaperBank.org](http://LCDiaperBank.org).

"Lane County Diaper Bank gives back to the most vulnerable demographic. The only way to improve our society's future is to pour as many resources as we can into our youths. Here at the Diaper Bank we make this our mission every day." — *Melody Pittman, volunteer*

### Ophelia's Place

1577 Pearl Street, Suite 100, Eugene, OR 97401; 1497 Kalmia Street, Junction City, OR 97448; 104 SE 4th Avenue, Albany, OR 97321. 541-284-4333. [OpheliasPlace.net](http://OpheliasPlace.net).

"My 5th grader's school counselor highly recommended Ophelia's Place to us. I've benefited tremendously from their parenting workshops and family counseling. My daughter loves the after-school program and camps for the diverse and welcoming atmosphere. She's learned helpful coping strategies in counseling: once grumpy and anxious, she's regained her joy." — *Shanna Gazley, Ophelia's Place parent*

### PrayBig! Food Pantry

4110 N. River Road, Eugene, OR 97404. 541-689-4010.

"Once a month the pantry is open to everyone to fill a box of food and clothing. Although a project for 11 years at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, it is a non-denominational project open to all. The pantry has zero administrative costs with total staffing of volunteers." — *Mike Fassel, volunteer*

### ShelterCare

499 W. 4th Avenue, Eugene, OR 97401. 541-686-1262. [ShelterCare.org](http://ShelterCare.org).

"During a time of immense need, ShelterCare has the experience, expertise and local involvement with the community that allows it to make an impact. Their wide-reaching services do an amazing job of tailoring themselves to the disparate housing and behavioral health assistance that members of our community need." — *Jesse Elconin, ShelterCare board member, co-founder & principal broker of Duo Property Group*

### Whiteaker Community Council

PO Box 11692, Eugene, OR 97440. [Whiteakercommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:Whiteakercommunitycouncil@gmail.com). [WhiteakerCommunityCouncil.com](http://WhiteakerCommunityCouncil.com).

"City of Eugene Emergency Management understands the need for community emergency preparedness education. WCC efforts increase capacity for vulnerable populations to prepare for, respond to and recover from crises. Without support of community leaders like WCC, it's nearly impossible to prepare each neighborhood for emergencies our community can expect." — *Sierra Anderson, city of Eugene emergency manager*

## Education

### Parker Learning Gardens

31239 Lanes Turn Road, Eugene, OR 97408. [Parker-LearningGardens.org](http://Parker-LearningGardens.org).

"Parker Learning Gardens provides a vital opportunity for children from toddlers through high school to connect with nature and where food comes from. The organization fosters a sense of wonder and a love of science while instilling in them the value of community. It's a worthy cause for any nature-lover to support." — *Hope Zima, volunteer*

### SMART Reading

PO Box 1378, Springfield, OR 97477. 541-600-8035. [SMARTReading.org](http://SMARTReading.org).

"I have worked closely with the SMART Reading Program in three of our elementary schools. I have personally witnessed SMART readers make connections with students over the love of books every week. The dedication of the SMART volunteers goes way beyond reading to individuals or classes of students." — *Carissa Boyce, Title I coordinator, Eugene School District 4J*

## Environment

### Beyond Toxics

120 Shelton McMurfhey Blvd., Ste #280, Eugene, OR 97401. 541-465-8860. [BeyondToxics.org](http://BeyondToxics.org).

"Beyond Toxics made a program available to get us (Bethel residents) free air purifiers. It was nice to see an immediate impact. You can really sense the unity and passion they bring into their work."

— *Kyle Meyer, west Eugene resident facing soil remediation due to dioxin contamination from J.H. Baxter Co.*

### Cascadia Wildlands

PO Box 10455, Eugene, OR 97440. 541-434-1463. [Casc-Wild.org](http://Casc-Wild.org).

"Cascadia Wildlands works overtime to keep our precious waters safeguarded, big trees standing and unique species persisting in our special region. These are important values for Ninkasi, and we hope you can join us in supporting this outstanding organization." — *Jamie Floyd and Nikos Ridge, Ninkasi Brewing Company co-founders*

### Better Eugene-Springfield Transportation (BEST)

PO Box 773, Eugene, OR 97401. 541-343-5201. [Best-Oregon.org](http://Best-Oregon.org).

"I have admired BEST's efforts to share information about city and regional plans that affect everyone's transportation needs in the community. It's clear BEST seeks all possible information and then interprets and publishes their findings with highlights and careful opinions. We need their voice, along with everyone's individual contribution." — *Steve Bade*

### Breach Collective

PO Box 5291, Eugene, OR 97405. 541-632-4044.

"Breach has brought policy and technical expertise to critical questions facing our community to address climate change and the transition to clean renewable electricity. As a nonprofit executive director myself, I have been impressed by their collective passion, efficiency and ability to work collaboratively to effect change." — *Lyndsie Leech, executive director of WellMama and Eugene city councilor*

### Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide

1412 Pearl St., Eugene, OR 97401. 541-687-8454, [Elaw.org](http://Elaw.org).

"ELAW is a lifeline for grassroots advocates around the world." — *Eduardo Mosqueda, ELAW partner, Mexico*

### Friends of Family Farmers

PO Box 751, Junction City, OR 97448. 503-581-7124. [FriendsofFamilyFarmers.org](http://FriendsofFamilyFarmers.org).

"FoFF truly supports small farms. The opportunities to meet other farmers, get to know other players making decisions that affect our farm and get on the ground mentorship as a young farmer and young business are really nice to have. I am very pleased that FoFF is in my corner." — *Kait Crowley, owner/operator of PK Pastures*

### ToolBox Project

2235 Adams Street, Eugene OR 97405. 541-838-0125. [EugeneToolBoxProject.org](http://EugeneToolBoxProject.org).

"As a ToolBox Project member I have access to over 1500 tools for my home gardening and carpentry projects. I can reserve tools online, and the staff are always helpful." — *Rich Klopfer, ToolBox volunteer & member*







## Health and Wellbeing

### Shift Community Cycles

811 W. 6th Avenue, Eugene, OR 97402. 541-728-2453. [ShiftCC.org](#).

"Shift Community Cycles is the only nonprofit community bike shop providing bicycle access and education to underserved communities in the Eugene-Springfield area. By purchasing a bike or donating your time or money, you remove barriers and empower more individuals to join the cycling world while building community resilience." — *Lori J. Bumgardner*

### The Eugene Family YMCA

600 E. 24th Avenue, Eugene, OR 97405. [EugeneYMCA.org](#). 541-686-9622.

"The Eugene Family YMCA is community centered whose staff are welcoming to all. It would take pages to enumerate all the opportunities besides fitness that the Y offers to our community: pre-school, childcare, special programs for people with medical issues and scholarships for low income folks being only a few." — *Lia Davis, Y member and volunteer*

## Pets and Animals

### Blue Barn Farm and Sanctuary

33705 E. Harvey Lane, Creswell, OR 97426. [melissa@bluebarnsanctuary.org](#). 847-682-2286.

"My dear friend Melissa chose to leave her profession as a therapist to focus on her dream, with her husband, of starting an animal sanctuary. They started from the ground up, with kindness, empathy and compassion towards animals being their goal, with a vision of expanding." — *Emily Mosteller, school counselor*

### Community Veterinary Center

470 Hwy 99N, Eugene, OR 97402. 541-636-3244. [CommunityVet.org](#).

"CVC offers affordable comprehensive veterinary care adjusted to meet my income. For me, my Yorkie-Poo is simply everything. Daisy was diagnosed with luxating patella and needed both knees replaced. I received an estimate of \$14,000. I talked with the Community Veteri-

nary Center and, taking into account my income, Daisy had both knees replaced for \$2,400. CVC makes me feel heard and respected." — *Heather Ford, Daisy's human*

### Greenhill Humane Society

88530 Green Hill Road, Eugene, OR 97402. 541-689-1503. [Green-Hill.org](#).

"I'm awed by the work Greenhill Humane Society's staffers and volunteers do for our community. In addition to finding homes for animals, they step up during natural disasters, work to resolve emergency situations such as hoarding and abuse, and connect people in crisis to other resources. Such a vital organization!" — *Leigh Anne Jasheway, Greenhill volunteer*

### Pro-Bone-O

PO Box 1823, Eugene, OR 97440. 541-799-0441. [ProBoneO.org](#).

"For our unhouseed neighbors, pets provide love, security and a sense of purpose. If you have a pet companion you cherish, please consider honoring that relationship by supporting Pro-Bone-O in their mission to provide free veterinary care, food, and supplies for the pets of people experiencing homelessness in Lane County." — *Amanda Donofrio, supporter*

### Welcome Home Animal Sanctuary

82940 Hurlburt Lane, Creswell, OR 97426. 541-870-9952. [WelcomeHomeSanctuary.com](#).

"At Welcome Home Animal Sanctuary, previously abused and neglected farm animals have a loving forever home. Visitors can meet the animals with their unique personalities and learn their stories. Thus, the rescued animals heal and transform the lives of people who hear their messages of hope and compassion." — *Nicole Jendro, supporter*

### Back2Youth

28992 Summerville Road, Eugene, OR 97405. 541-515-8295. [Back2Youth.org](#).

"Niles Mittasch moved back to Eugene specifically to create/launch Back2Youth from his hometown, the very town/commUNITY that had elevated and embraced him while he was growing up. Back2Youth is his way to give back that upliftment and carry it forward through shar-

ing his love of the outdoors, as well as, teaching about mindfulness, self care and resiliency, so today's youth would have foundational skills that would last them a lifetime and remind them just how valuable and powerful they are." — *Kellee Ratzlaff, graphic designer*

## Arts and Culture

### #instaballet

174 E. 16th Ave., Suite 141, Eugene, OR 97408. 458-221-7330. [Instaballet.org](#).

"#instaballet puts audiences on equal footing with dancers. Audience members co-create with each other and professional dancers by suggesting movements that become new dance works. The company promotes new pathways to access dance through educational outreach and cooperation with other art groups. Performances — including Friday summer art walks — are free." — *Lee Black, retired journalism professor*

### Lane Arts Council

174 E. 16th Avenue, Suite 125, Eugene, OR 97405. 541-485-2278. [LaneArts.org](#).

"I support Lane Arts Council for all they do to beautify our community and our children's minds!" — *Raquel Hecht, immigration lawyer with Hecht & Norman Immigration*

### The Shelton-McMurphey-Johnson House

303 Willamette Street, Eugene, OR 97401. 541-484-0808. [SMJHouse.org](#).

"The Shelton-McMurphey-Johnson House is a unique Victorian house museum overlooking downtown Eugene. Open to visitors regularly, the museum hosts tea parties, performances and exhibits that showcase the incredible history of Lane County and the house itself. Volunteer docents and a dedicated staff make this house feel warm and welcoming." — *Jessica Ruth Baker, development director of OSLP and local theater artist*

## Helping Society

### Kind Tree Productions (aka KindTree - Autism Rocks)

PO Box 40847, Eugene, OR 97404. 541-780-6950. [KindTree.org](#).

"I took one boy to camp, and I brought a completely different boy home. KindTree literally gave me back my son by providing him with friends, community, acceptance and later his first job. Now in his early 20s, he is a kind and thoughtful adult, with an amazing sense of humor." — *Laurie Erickson, a guest at KindTree's Friends and Family Camp*

### Oregon Supported Living Program

412 Pearl Street, Eugene, OR 97401. 541-343-4196. [OSLP.org](#).

"OSLP is a fantastic organization here in Eugene/Springfield that helps individuals living with disabilities live full and enriched lives in our community. From their residential living homes, to their arts & culture programs, OSLP ensures that everyone is happy, healthy, and empowered to meet their full potential." — *Leah Murray, executive director at SMJ House*

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*Eugene Ballet’s production of The Nutcracker is 7:30pm Dec. 21, Dec. 22, Dec. 23 and Dec. 26. Matinee performances are 2pm Dec. 23, Dec. 24 and Dec. 26. All performances are at the Hult Center’s Silva Concert Hall. Tickets are \$15 to \$65. — Dan Buckwalter*

Photo by Ari Denison

## THURSDAY DECEMBER 21

### ART/CRAFT

Expression Through Art, 4:30-5:30pm, Trauma Healing Project, 631 E. 19th Ave., Bldg. B. \$15 sliding scale.

Create Zines, 5pm, Downtown Eugene Public Library. FREE.

### CIVICS

Ln. County Finance & Audit Meeting, 1:30-3pm, Board of Commissioners’ Conference Rm., Public Service Bldg., 125 E. 8th Ave.

Human Rights Commission Homeless Person’s Remembrance Day Vigil, 5pm, Downtown Eugene Park Blocks, 8th Ave. & Oak St. LCOG Board of Directors Meeting, 6-8pm, Ln. Council of Governments, Park Place Bldg., Buford Rm., 859 Willamette St., Ste. 500.

### COMEDY

Wild Ones: Comedy Open Mic, 8pm today & Thu., Dec.

28, WildCraft Cider Works, 232 Lincoln St. FREE.

### DANCE

Fermata Ballet Collective: *Winter Series*, 5-7pm today & Fri., Dec. 22, Xcape Dance Academy, 1645 Oak St. \$17-100.

Eugene Ballet’s *The Nutcracker*, 7:30pm today & Fri., Dec. 22, Silva Concert Hall, Hult Ctr. \$15-65.

### FILM

*Rumble: The Indians Who Rocked The World* Documentary, 6:30-8:30pm, Art House, 492 E. 13th Ave. \$9-12.

### GATHERINGS

Hearing Voices & Different Realities Discussion & Support Group, 10-11:30am, Trauma Healing Project, 631 E. 19th Ave., Bldg. B. FREE.

Flourish Networking Eugene, 1-2:30pm, Oregon Wine LAB, 488 Lincoln St. \$30 per month.

Grief & Bereavement Support Group, 1:30-3pm today & Thu., Dec. 28, Ctr. for Spiritual Living, 390

Vernal St. More info email: karunasams120882@gmail.com.

Retired Senior Providers of Ln. County: Bags of Love — Helping Children in Crisis, 2pm, Sheldon Oaks Retirement, 2525 Cal Young Rd. FREE.

National Homeless Persons Memorial Day, 4-6pm, Monroe Park, W. 10th Ave. & Monroe St. FREE.

Winter Solstice Sacred Fire Ceremony, 5:30-8pm, FM Wilkins Shelter at Hendricks Park, Summit Ave. & Skyline Blvd. \$30.

Citizens’ Climate Lobby Meeting, 5:45-7pm, link at CitizensClimateLobby.org. FREE.

NAACP Ln. County December Membership Meeting, 6pm, link at NAACP.LaneCounty.org. FREE.

Queer, Trans & Disability Group, 6-7pm today & Thu., Dec. 28. Email Info@Transponder.Community for link. FREE.

Codependents Anonymous (CoDA) Meeting, 7-8pm today & Thu., Dec. 28, Wellsprings Friends School, 3590 W. 18th Ave. FREE.

### HOLIDAY

A Very Jerry Christmas, 6pm, 255 Madison St. \$6. Build a Winter Holiday Story, 6-8pm, Wordcrafters, 438 Charnelton St., Ste. 102. \$52.

### KIDS/FAMILY

LEGO, 10am-5pm, Bethel Branch of Eugene Public Library, 1990 Echo Hollow Rd. FREE.

STEAM Stories: Robots, 4pm, Downtown Eugene Public Library. FREE.

### LECTURES/CLASSES

Parenting Teens Seminar, 6-8pm. Online at TripleP.net.

### MUSIC

Open Blues Jam w/ Dave Roberts, 6pm today & Thu., Dec. 28, Jimmy Mac’s Overtime Bar & Grill, 770 S. Bertelsen Rd. N/C.

Gerry Rempel Trio, instrumental-jazz-variety,

6:30pm, The Public House, 418 A St., Spfd. N/C.

Ghost Of Brian Craig, acoustic-rock, 7pm, beergarden, 777 W. 6th Ave. N/C.

Whirly Bop, blues-pop-rock, 7pm, Mac’s Restaurant & Nightclub, 1626 Willamette. N/C.

Caleb Davis Quartet w/ Idit Shner, Robert Lassila & Evan Furrow, 7:30pm, The Jazz Station, 124 W. Broadway. \$20.

*Elf the Musical*, 7:30pm today, Fri., Dec. 22 & Sat., Dec. 23, Cottage Theatre, 700 Village Dr., Cottage Grove. \$15-27.

Grateful Dead Jam, 8pm, The Big Dirty, 844 Olive Street. \$5.

John Bellows & Asher Fay, acoustic-folk, 8pm, Sam Bond’s, 407 Blair Blvd. \$5. Funk Jam!, 9:30pm today & Thu., Dec. 28, Luckey’s Club, 933 Olive St. N/C.

### NIGHTLIFE

Beginners Board Game Night, 5pm today & Thu.,

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Nothing says the night after the night after Christmas like EDM! It's a brand of electronic dance music that over the course of nearly 30 years has been influenced by the corrupt politics and the tattered social fabric of our times, challenging gun ownership and war, just to name two items. Now, **Thievery Corporation** — the duo of Rob Garza and Eric Hilton, based in Washington, D.C. — makes a stop at McDonald Theatre to amplify its message of inclusiveness over division. Garza and Hilton forged their relationship in the mid-1990s over a mutual love for club life as well as dub, bossa nova and jazz records. In 2017, they even recorded a Jamaican-themed album *The Temple of I & I*. As Jose Solis noted at the time in *PopMatters*, "Their politics, however, go beyond partisanship and focus on issues that affect the whole world, making it ironic and wildly subversive to hear their music sometimes played in decadent lounges and luxury clothing shops, their potent messages disguised under their sophisticated beats."

*Thievery Corporation, with support from rock trio City of the Sun, performs at 8 pm Wednesday, Dec. 27, at McDonald Theatre, 1010 Willamette St. Tickets are \$46.50 to \$71.50. If general admission tickets remain on Dec. 27, they will be \$51.50 and available at the McDonald Theatre box office. — Dan Buckwalter*

**FILM**

*Eyes Wide Shut*, 7:30pm, Art House, 492 E. 13th Ave. \$8-11.

**GATHERINGS**

LGBTQ+ Youth Group, 4-6pm, Amazon Community Ctr., 2700 Hilyard St. FREE.

**HOLIDAY**

Eugene Saturday Market's Holiday Market, 10am-6pm today & Sat., Dec. 23 & 10am-4pm Sun., Dec. 24, Ln. Events Ctr., 796 W. 13th Ave.

Holiday Fun Friday Goat Yoga, 6-7pm, No Regrets Flower Farm & Animal Sanctuary, 26641 Bellfountain Rd., Monroe. \$28.

Punxmas Party, 8pm, Happy Hours, 645 River Rd. FREE.

**KIDS/FAMILY**

Beads, 10am-5pm, Bethel Branch of Eugene Public Library, 1990 Echo Hollow Rd. FREE.

Book Talk, 4pm, Sheldon Branch of Eugene Public Library, 1566 Coburg Rd. FREE.

**MUSIC**

Hannah Brewer, Advent organ, noon, First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive St. \$10 sug. don. Live Music, 6pm, Elizabeth's Wine Lounge, 105 Oakway Ctr. N/C.

Acoustic Minds, 7pm, The Public House, 418 A St., Spfd. N/C. Brian James & The Revival, blues-soul, 8pm, Mac's Restaurant & Nightclub, 1626 Willamette. \$10.

John Prine Sing-A-Long, folk, 8pm, Sam Bond's, 407 Blair Blvd. \$5.

**NIGHTLIFE**

Laser Holiday Adventure & Laser Nutcracker, 6-9pm, Eugene Science Ctr., 2300 Leo Harris Pkwy. \$7.50 each show.

Karaoke w/ Lewie, 9pm, Slice Downtown, 910 Willamette. FREE.

Karaoke w/ Mikki, 9pm, Gridiron Grill Taphouse, 2816 Main St., Spfd. FREE.

**SOCIAL DANCE**

Church of 80s: Dance Party, 9pm, Blairally, 245 Blair Blvd. \$4.

Salsa & Bachata Night, 9pm, The Vet's Club, 1626 Willamette. \$8.

**SATURDAY  
DECEMBER 23****DANCE**

Eugene Ballet's *The Nutcracker*, 2pm & 7:30pm, Silva Concert Hall, Hult Ctr. \$15-65.

**FILM**

*Eyes Wide Shut*, 12:30pm, 4pm & 7:30pm, Art House, 492 E. 13th Ave. \$8-11.

**FOOD/DRINK**

The Filling Station's 10th Anniversary, 4-10pm, The Filling Station, 2747 River Rd.

**GATHERINGS**

Overeaters Anonymous, 9:30-10:30am, Unitarian Universalist Church, 1685 W. 13th Ave. FREE.

TransParent Group, 11am-noon, Theo's Coffee House, 199 W. 8th Ave., #1. FREE. Saturday Peace Vigil, noon-1pm, Eugene Downtown Library. FREE.

Trans Community Support Group, 3:30-5pm. Email info@transponder.community for link. FREE.

**HEALTH**

Occupy Medical Services, 9am, Washington Jefferson Park, Washington St. & W. 5th Ave. FREE.

**HOLIDAY**

Christmas Winter Market, 11am-5pm, Inspiring Alignments, 1120 Bailey Hill Rd., Ste. 1.

Holiday Goat Yoga & Wine/Apple Cider, 2-3:30pm, No Regrets Flower Farm & Animal Sanctuary, 26641 Bellfountain Rd, Monroe. \$45.

**KIDS/FAMILY**

Origami, 10am-5pm, Bethel Branch of Eugene Public Library, 1990 Echo Hollow Rd. FREE.

**MUSIC**

Bootleg Rose, folk-American, 7pm, The Public House, 418 A St., Spfd. N/C. Eugene Sacred Harp Singers, 7pm, Eugene Garden Club, 1645 High St. Don.

The Blue Owens Band, blues, 7:30pm, beergarden, 777 W. 6th Ave. N/C.

MIME Tribes, Stagger & Sway, indie-rock, 8pm, Sam Bond's, 407 Blair Blvd. \$5.

**NIGHTLIFE**

Karaoke w/ Lewie, 9pm, Slice Downtown, 910 Willamette St. FREE.

Karaoke w/ Mikki, 9pm, Gridiron Grill Taphouse, 2816 Main St., Spfd. FREE.

**SUNDAY  
DECEMBER 24****DANCE**

Eugene Ballet's *The Nutcracker*, 2pm today & Tues., Dec. 26, Silva Concert Hall, Hult Ctr. \$15-65.

**FILM**

*Eyes Wide Shut*, 12:30pm, Art House, 492 E. 13th Ave. \$8-11.

**GATHERINGS**

Sunday Gathering, 10:30-11:30am, The Center, 390 Vernal St. FREE.

Deep Discussion Series, 5:30-7pm, 3rd & Monroe, 810 W. 3rd Ave. FREE.

**KIDS/FAMILY**

Family Fun: Paint, 1-5pm, Downtown Eugene Public Library. FREE.

**LECTURES/CLASSES**

Women's Self-Defense Class, 2-3pm, Art of War MMA, 164 W. Broadway. \$5-50.

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NIGHTLIFE

Karaoke w/ Jeff, 6pm, Slice Pizzeria & Bar, 325 Blair Blvd. FREE.

Karaoke Sundays, 7:30pm, Happy Hours, 645 River Rd. FREE.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION

Yoga + Beer, 10:30-11:30am, The Public House, 418 A St., Spfd. \$25.

Eugene Community Ecstatic Dance & Movement, 11am-1pm, 118 Merry Ln. FREE.

SPIRITUAL

God Speaks in Modern Times, 10-11:30am, Baha'i Ctr., 1458 Alder St. FREE.

MONDAY

DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS

COMEDY

Comedy Open Mic w/ Seth Milstein, 8-10pm, Slice Pizzeria & Bar, 325 Blair Blvd. FREE.

RECREATION

Principles of Peace: The Body As Sanctuary, 10-11:15am, Eugene Yoga Downtown, 199 E. 5th Ave., 33. \$8-32 cash don.

SPIRITUAL

Spiritual Meeting, 11am-1pm, The Ctr. for Sacred Sciences, 5440 Saratoga St. FREE.

Mindful Integration & Breathwork w/ PSILO Temple, 7-9pm, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1300 Pearl St. FREE.

TUESDAY

DECEMBER 26

KWANZAA

ART/CRAFT

Figure Art Sessions, 6:15-9pm, New Zone Gallery, 110 E. 11th Ave. \$8 drop in.

GATHERINGS

Outreach — CORE, 4-7pm. DM on IG, FB, or text at 541-870-0036 between 11am & 3pm for location. FREE.

QTBIPOC Group, 6-7pm. Email info@transponder. community for link. FREE.

HOLIDAY

Unity in the Community — Kwanzaa Event, 2-4pm, The Wildish Theater, 630 Main St., Spfd. FREE.

KIDS/FAMILY

Planks & Blocks, noon-7pm, Bethel Branch of Eugene

Public Library, 1990 Echo Hollow Rd. FREE.

Make a Fleece Scarf, 4pm, Downtown Eugene Public Library. FREE.

LECTURES/CLASSES

Living w/ Memory Loss Class, 10am-noon, Waterford Grand, 600 Waterford Way. \$100 per family.

LITERARY ARTS

TransPonder Book Club, 5-6pm. Email Info@Transponder.Community for link. FREE.

NIGHTLIFE

Karaoke w/ Jeff, 6pm, Slice Pizzeria & Bar, 325 Blair Blvd. FREE.

Bingo w/ Ty Connor, 6:30pm, The Public House, 418 A St., Spfd. FREE.

FWD Trivia, 7pm, McMenamins North Bank, 22 Club Rd. FREE.

Killer Trivia Night, 7pm, Killer Burger, 50 W. Broadway. FREE.

Trivia Tuesdays, 7pm, beergarden, 777 W. 6th Ave. FREE.

Karaoke w/ Jeff, 9pm, John Henry's, 881 Willamette. FREE.

SOCIAL DANCE

International Folk Dancing, 7:30-9:30pm, Eugene Friends Meeting House, 2274 Onyx St. \$3-5.

SPIRITUAL

From Inner Peace Comes Outer Peace, 6-7:30pm, Mahonia Bldg., 120 Shelton Mcmurphey Blvd. \$10.

WEDNESDAY

DECEMBER 27

ART/CRAFT

Figure Art Sessions, 6:15-9pm, New Zone Gallery, 110 E. 11th Ave. \$8 drop-in.

FILM

Eyes Wide Shut, 12:30pm, 4pm & 7:30pm, Art House, 492 E. 13th Ave. \$8-11.

GATHERINGS

We/Us/Ours, 6-8pm, Public House, 418 A St., Spfd. FREE.

KIDS/FAMILY

Yarn, 10am-5pm, Bethel Branch of Eugene Public Library, 1990 Echo Hollow Rd. FREE.

LITERARY ARTS

READ-treat! A Unique Book Club Experience, 4-6pm, Breakthrough Co. Lab, 5250

Highbanks Rd., Ste 220, Spfd. FREE.

MUSIC

Cherry Hill, chill-bluegrass, 6:30pm, The Public House, 418 A St., Spfd. N/C.

Jammin' w/ the Pros, jazz, 7pm, The Jazz Station, 124 W. Broadway. \$5.

Open Blues Jam w/ Dave Roberts, 7pm, Twisted Duck, 533 W. Centennial Blvd., Spfd. N/C.

Thievery Corporation, electronic, 7pm, McDonald Theatre, 1010 Willamette. \$46.50-71.50.

NIGHTLIFE

Quality Trivia, 6pm, Hop Valley Brewing Co., 990 W. 1st Ave. FREE.

Bingo Wednesdays, 7pm, beergarden, 777 W. 6th Ave. FREE.

Open Mic, 8:30pm, Mulligan's Pub, 2841 Willamette. FREE.

Karaoke, 9pm, Blairally, 245 Blair Blvd. FREE.

Karaoke Night, 9pm, The Big Dirty, 844 Olive St. FREE.

SPIRITUAL

Eugene Sound Bath w/ PSILO Temple, 6:30-9pm, The Hybrid, 941 W. 3rd Ave.

FREE for members, \$25 don. For non-members.

TEENS

Animanga Club, 5pm, Downtown Eugene Public Library. FREE.

THURSDAY

DECEMBER 28

FILM

Eyes Wide Shut, 7:30pm, Art House, 492 E. 13th Ave. \$8-11.

FOOD/DRINK

Thursday Tasting w/ Gratitude, 5-7pm, The Bier Stein, 1591 Willamette. FREE.

MUSIC

The Hip Billys, folk-blues-rock, 7pm, beergarden, 777 West 6th Avenue. N/C.

Reggae Shock Out, dancehall-soca-Afrobeats, 9pm, The Big Dirty, 844 Olive St. N/C.

SPECTATOR SPORTS

College Men's Basketball: USC vs. Oregon, 6pm, Matthew Knight Arena. Tickets at GoDucks.com. (ESPN2).

THEATER

Shadows & Seduction, 9:30pm, Art House, 492 E. 13th Ave. \$10.

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Legal Notices

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LANE** Probate Department CASE #23PB10412 **NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** In the Matter of the ESTATE of RICHARD B. STRAW, Deceased, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 28, 2023, BARBARA COURTNEY was appointed and deemed qualified to act as the personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present these claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice, as stated below to the personal representative's attorney, Susan Ezzy Jordan, Jordan & Williams, LLC., 180 West 6th Ave., Junction City, OR 97448 (541) 342-8110, or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceeding in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the attorney for the personal representative. DATED AND FIRST PUBLISHED: 12/07/23

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LANE COUNTY** Juvenile Department In the Matter of AIDEN MAXWELL SYLAR WARD, A Child. Case No. 23JU03831 **PUBLISHED SUMMONS.** TO: Deborah Ward aka Deborah Nicole Ward aka Debra Ward **IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON:** A petition has been filed asking the court to terminate your parental rights to the above-named child under ORS 419B.500, 419B.502, 419B.504, 419B.506 and/or 419B.508 for the purpose of placing the child for adoption. **YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PERSONALLY APPEAR** before the Lane County Circuit Court, 2727 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Eugene, Oregon 97401 on February 1, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. for a hearing on the allegations of the petition and to personally appear at any subsequent court-ordered hearing. **YOU MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY** in the courtroom on the date and at the time listed above. **AN ATTORNEY MAY NOT ATTEND THE HEARING IN YOUR PLACE.** THEREFORE, **YOU MUST APPEAR EVEN IF YOUR ATTORNEY ALSO APPEARS.** If you do not appear personally before the court as directed above, then you must appear on February 15, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the same address listed above. If you fail to appear for both of these dates or do not appear at any subsequent court-ordered hearing, the court may proceed in your absence and without further notice **TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS** to the above-named child either on the date specified in **THIS SUMMONS OR ON A FUTURE DATE** and may make such orders and take such action as authorized by law. This summons is published pursuant to the order of the circuit court judge of the above-entitled court, dated November 21, 2023. The order directs that this summons be published once each week for three consecutive weeks, making three publications in all, in a published newspaper of general circulation in Lane County. Date of first publication: December 7, 2023. Date of last publication: December 21, 2023. **NOTICE READ THESE PAPERS**

CAREFULLY IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR PERSONALLY BEFORE THE COURT OR DO NOT APPEAR AT ANY SUBSEQUENT COURT-ORDERED HEARING, the court may proceed in your absence without further notice and **TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS** to the above-named child either on the date specified in this summons or on a future date and may make such orders and take such action as authorized by law. **RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS (I) YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY IN THIS MATTER.** If you are currently represented by an attorney, **CONTACT YOUR ATTORNEY IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTICE.** Your previous attorney may not be representing you in this matter. **IF YOU WISH TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY**, please retain one as soon as possible to represent you in this proceeding. If you need help finding an attorney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684-3763 or toll free in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. **IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY** and you meet the state's financial guidelines, you are entitled to have an attorney appointed for you at state expense. **TO REQUEST APPOINTMENT OF AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU AT STATE EXPENSE, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY CONTACT** the Lane County Circuit Court at 2727 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Eugene, Oregon, 97401, phone: (541) 682-4700 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. for further information. **IF YOU ARE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH YOUR ATTORNEY AND TO KEEP YOUR ATTORNEY ADVISED OF YOUR WHEREABOUTS.** (2) If you contest the petition, the court will schedule a hearing on the allegations of the petition and order you to appear personally and may schedule other hearings related to the petition and order you to appear personally. **IF YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR, YOU MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY IN THE COURTROOM, UNLESS THE COURT HAS GRANTED YOU AN EXCEPTION IN**

**ADVANCE** under ORS 419B.918 to appear by other means including, but not limited to, telephonic or other electronic means. An attorney may not attend the hearing(s) in your place. **PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY:** Nicholas R. Balthrop, OSB# 153110, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 975 Oak Street, Suite 200, Eugene, OR 97401. **ISSUED** this 27th day of November, 2023. **Issued by:** /s/ Nicholas R. Balthrop, OSB# 153110, Assistant Attorney General


**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LANE** In the Matter of the Estate of OTTALEA FORCE, Deceased. Case No. 23PB10262 **NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS.** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at 2135 Loch Dr., Springfield, OR 97477, within four months after the date of publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyer for the personal representative, David P. Williamson of Boender and Payment, Attorneys. **DATED AND PUBLISHED ON** December 14, 2023. /s/ Odette Force, Personal Representative. Personal Representative: Odette Force, 2135 Loch Dr., Springfield, OR 97477, Phone: (541)735-7070. Lawyer for Personal Representative: David P. Williamson, OSB No. 151603. Boender and Payment, Attorneys, 800 Willamette St., Suite 700, Eugene, OR 97401, Phone: (541)685-1288

**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** Claims against the Estate of Wayne Leroy Spangler, Deceased, Lane County Circuit Court Case No. 23PB09987, are required to be presented to the Personal Representative, Michael Marvinny, at 675 Oak Street, Suite 400, Eugene, OR 97401,

within four (4) months from 12/07/23, the date of first publication, or such claims may be barred. Any person whose rights may be affected by the proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the attorneys for the Personal Representative. **HERSHNER HUNTER, LLP, Attorneys**

**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the Estate of William Francis Bauer, deceased, Lane County Probate No.23PB09862. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: 12/07/23. Debra E. Bauer, Personal Representative. Alex E. Gavriilidis, Attorney for Personal Representative, Leahy Cox, LLP, 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, (541) 746-9621

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**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Trustee of The Edward J. Gordon and Elizabeth Ann Gordon Revocable Trust, created on September 25, 1995, and is currently in existence. All persons having claims against Edward J. Gordon who died on July 29, 2023 or Elizabeth Ann Gordon who died on October 7, 2023 or The Edward J. Gordon and Elizabeth Ann Gordon Revocable Trust are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Trustee at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Trust may obtain additional information from the Trustee, or the attorney for the Trustee. Dated and first published: 12/21/23. Mary J. Piper, Trustee. Kay Hyde-Patton, Attorney for Trustee Leahy Cox, LLP, 188 W. B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, (541) 746-9621

**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Barbara Louise Greshaw, deceased, Lane County Probate No. 23PB10648. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and first published: 12/21/23. Karen Jean Wilson, Personal Representative. Attorney for Personal Representative: Alex E. Gavrilidis, OSB No. 133682, LEAHY COX, LLP, 188 West B Street, Bldg. N, Springfield, Oregon 97477, Phone: (541)746-9621, Fax: (541) 746-4109, aeg@emeraldclaw.com

**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** ESTATE OF STEPHEN WILBORNE MOSLEY - LANE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CASE NO. 23PB10327. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with written evidence thereof attached, to the Personal Representative Jason Samuel Mosley, c/o Janice L. Mackey, Hutchinson Cox, PO Box 10886, Eugene, Oregon 97440. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four months after the date of first publication of this notice to the Personal Representative at the address stated above for the presentation of claims or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the Attorney for the Personal Representative, named above. Dated and first published 12/07/23

**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS** ESTATE OF WALTER G. JENKINS LANE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT CASE NO. 23PB10592 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that LAUREN DYANN KINKADE has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with written evidence thereof attached, to the personal representative, c/o Mark M. Williams, Attorney at Law, 160 West Sixth Avenue. Junction City, Oregon 97448. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four months after the date of first publication of this notice to the Personal Representative at the address stated above for the presentation of claims or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court or the Personal Representative, named above. Dated and first published 12/07/23. Personal Representative: Lauren Dyann Kinkade, c/o Mark M. Williams, OSB#821404, Attorney at Law, 160 West Sixth Avenue, Junction City, Oregon 97448

**SUMMONS AND NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF PETITION/HEARING RE: TERMINATION OF PARENT CHILD RELATIONSHIP** THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS UNDER PIERCE COUNTY CAUSE NUMBERS: 22-5-00605-2 TO: UNKNOWN BIRTH FAHTER AND JOHN DOE, birth father of INFANT MANN,

DOB: 11/01/2023 in Springfield, Oregon; INFANT MANN born to REBECCA MANN, birth mother; AND ANY OTHER PERSON CLAIMING A PATERNAL INTEREST IN THE ABOVE NAMED CHILD; You must respond to the Petition by serving your defense along with a copy of your Notice Appearance upon the attorney at the address below within thirty (30) days after the date of the first publication or an order permanently terminating your parent-child relationship with the child by default will be entered. A default order is one where the Petitioners are entitled to what they ask for because you have not responded. If you serve a notice of appearance on the attorney at the address below you are entitled to notice before a default order may be entered. You have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you are indigent and request an attorney, an attorney will be appointed for you. You have a right to file a claim of paternity regarding the child. Your failure to file a claim of Paternity under chapter 26.26 of the Revised Code of Washington or to respond to the Petition for Termination of Parent-Child Relationship filed herein is grounds to terminate your parent-child relationship. If the child is an Indian child as defined by the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978 25 U.S.C. 1901 et seq., and if you acknowledge paternity of the child or if your paternity of the child is established prior to the termination of the parent-child relationship, your parental rights may not be terminated unless you give valid consent to termination, or your parent-child relationship is terminated involuntarily pursuant to chapter 26.33 or 13.34 RCW. The Court hearing on the Petition for Termination of Parent-Child relationship shall be on Friday, January 26, 2024, at 8:30 am, in Pierce County Superior Court at Remann Hall Juvenile Detention Center, 5501 - 6th Ave, Tacoma, WA 98406. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THIS HEARING MAY RESULT IN A DEFAULT ORDER PERMANENTLY TERMINATING ALL OF YOUR RIGHTS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED CHILD. DATED this 12th day of December, 2023. /s/ DENNIS CASEY, WSBA #14724, Attorney for Petitioners. FILE RESPONSE WITH: Clerk of the Court, Pierce County Superior Court, 930 Tacoma Ave S, Tacoma, WA 98405. SERVE A COPY OF YOUR RESPONSE TO: DENNIS CASEY, Attorney for Petitioners, PO BOX 731977, Puyallup, WA 98373, (253) 845-1942

Jonesin' Crossword

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Across

- 1. Yogurt-based Indian drink
- 6. \_\_\_ noche (tonight, in Spanish)
- 10. Onetime Kremlin figure
- 14. Had takeout, perhaps
- 15. Like a dime
- 16. Kitchen gadget and cookware company
- 17. Piece of paper with nothing on it
- 19. Seriously lack
- 20. Position in an ordered list
- 21. "Desperate Housewives" actress Hatcher
- 22. Initials on a Cardinal's cap
- 23. "... and so on"
- 24. Obey Daylight Saving Time, maybe
- 28. Name not to say out loud right now (lest it turns on devices)

- 30. Pearl bearer
- 31. Do some coding?
- 36. Rita who judged on "The X Factor"
- 37. How a winning streak might be described
- 42. Floor decor
- 43. Driving levy
- 44. Letter-based British secondary school exam, once
- 47. Prearrange
- 51. High-grade, ultra-soft European fabric
- 56. "Messenger" material
- 57. Had been
- 58. Abel's big brother
- 59. Mid-century music system
- 60. Parliament member
- 62. "You're welcome to visit"
- 64. Alumnus, for short
- 65. Once again
- 66. Of service

- 67. Biblical boats
- 68. Coin flip
- 69. "\_\_\_ be great!"

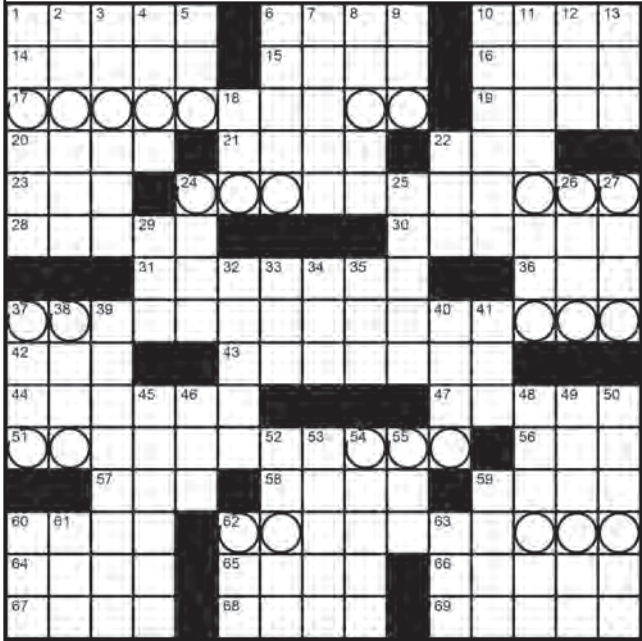
Down

- 1. Tar pits location
- 2. Repetitively named Aztec spear-throwing tool
- 3. Medium setting?
- 4. Bathroom fixture
- 5. Tats
- 6. It's a bit of a knockout
- 7. Rob Zombie's spouse, fashion designer \_\_\_ Moon
- 8. Zombie
- 9. Advertising gimmick
- 10. Six-legged creature
- 11. Place to the right of the decimal point
- 12. He-Man's nemesis
- 13. Cy Young Award winner, probably

"Bundling Up"

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- 13. Tackle component
- 18. Engine additive and NASCAR sponsor
- 22. Put into words
- 24. Hourglass filler
- 25. "Yeah, yeah, I know"
- 26. Prefix for space
- 27. Sketch
- 29. Baby boomer's kid
- 32. Paste shortcut, on PCs
- 33. Los Del \_\_\_ ("Macarena" duo)
- 34. 1950s singer Sumac
- 35. \_\_\_ Xing (street sign)
- 37. Trampled, with "on"
- 38. "The Handmaid's Tale" streamer
- 39. Belinda Carlisle hit where she "can't speak"
- 40. Conde \_\_\_ Traveler
- 41. Timber tool
- 45. Rarer Pokémon collectibles from the Sword & Shield Series
- 46. Interjections outside a Tim Hortons, maybe?
- 48. Pub contest fodder
- 49. Not noticed
- 50. Like sorted socks
- 52. Budgetary prefix
- 53. Gold fabrics
- 54. Opinions
- 55. U2 producer Brian
- 59. Frozen planet in "The Empire Strikes Back"
- 60. Golfing org.
- 61. Miss the mark
- 62. Nyan \_\_\_ (meme with a repetitive earworm)
- 63. Cashew, e.g.



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# It Must Be the Climate

## From Tobacco Tactics to Gaslighting Exposing NW Natural's Misinformation Playbook

**R**egionally, gas utilities are using "tobacco tactics" to avoid regulation. What do these tactics involve? Scholars have categorized the tobacco industry's three tactics as:

1. **information management** - creating and disseminating industry-friendly evidence while attacking public health evidence<sup>1</sup>;
2. **reputation management** - rehabilitating the reputation of the industry while attacking public health advocates, researchers and organizations;
3. **coalition management** - build an industry coalition while fragmenting the opposing coalition.

The tobacco industry pioneered the use of these tactics, deploying them in different combinations and contexts. Tobacco industry messaging was most dangerous when used simultaneously with a plethora of seemingly neutral or independent front groups.

The success of these tactics in delaying and watering-down regulation came at the expense of consumers' health and wellbeing. Moreover, the tobacco industry often focused its messaging on ethnic and cultural minorities, people of lower socioeconomic status, people with language barriers, socially isolated or socially ostracized groups like the LGBTQIA+ community, people of lower educational achievement and lower healthcare literacy, as well as those traumatized by the healthcare industry and/or already suffering from medical or institutional mistrust.

For example, the Public Health Law Center at the Mitchell Hamline School of Law found that tobacco companies introduced menthol cigarettes originally as a way to "make cigarettes appear less harsh and more appealing to new smokers and young people, as well as older smokers," then later aggressively targeted menthol cigarette advertising towards African Americans, even as evidence has emerged that "people who smoke menthol cigarettes have more difficulty quitting than those who smoke non-mentholated cigarettes, and are less likely to quit successfully, despite numerous intentions to quit and quit attempts."<sup>2</sup> This is not ancient history: the tobacco industry continues today to aggressively oppose local and federal regulations curtailing menthol cigarettes and other flavored tobacco products.<sup>3</sup>

While pioneered by the tobacco industry, these tactics have become the standard playbook for any industry seeking to stall, prevent or roll-back regulation of its product.

As we have seen in Eugene, NW Natural is now openly using these tactics in response to local efforts to regulate gas in new buildings and the growing public awareness of the health concerns associated with gas use in the home. With respect to information management, recent reporting by NPR and the Climate Investigations Center demonstrated that **the wider gas industry has known since the 1970s that nitrogen oxides (NOx) emissions from gas stoves in the home heighten the risk of asthma and other respiratory illnesses.** In response, the industry covertly funded studies to undermine the emerging scientific basis for this knowledge. Despite these efforts, a wide body of scientific evidence now demonstrates the connection between gas use in the home, high NOx emissions levels, and respiratory illness, with one recent study calculating that more than 12% of childhood asthma cases nationwide can be attributed to gas stove pollution.<sup>4</sup> Yet, **NW Natural has continued to double-down on denying this science**, insisting that the air quality concerns with gas stoves are the same as electric stoves (they aren't - electric stores don't emit NOx), and that ventilation is the determining factor in indoor air quality (studies have shown that it isn't). Worse still, **NW Natural has hired the consulting firm Gradient Corp., whose previous clients include - you guessed it - Big Tobacco, to produce industry-friendly analyses and give testimony at public hearings.**<sup>5</sup>



NW Natural has also engaged in reputation management by touting their aspirations to become a net-zero emissions gas utility transporting "renewable molecules underground" including expenditure of more than \$100,000 to develop a school curriculum propagandizing the benefits of "renewable natural" gas. In reality, NW Natural's own disclosures show that its renewable natural gas procurement is way behind its own internal goals and failing to keep pace with its growing gas supply in Oregon, amounting to only 0.15% of its energy supply in 2022. More broadly, the gas industry has paid celebrity chefs to tout the benefits of gas stoves on social media, even as some of the world's most famous restaurants and chefs are switching to induction.

NW Natural has aggressively engaged in coalition management tactics. This includes its funding and other forms of support for a number of local and regional front groups, such as "Eugene Residents for Energy Choice," which received over \$1 million (over 99.9%) of its funding from NW Natural. Speaking of "choice," gas utilities' emphasis on individual choice and responsibility bears a striking resemblance to tobacco industry rhetoric around second-hand smoke.<sup>6</sup> This framing ignores the wider public health issues associated with gas use up and down the pipeline, including fracking, methane leaks and outdoor NOx pollution from venting. Furthermore, NW Natural and the wider gas industry have sought to drive a wedge between supporters of climate action, particularly around so-called "renewable" natural gas and hydrogen development.

Eugenians have a reputation for being health-conscious and should see these tactics for what they are as the body of evidence exposing gas industry misinformation continues to grow. In a new study, *Fumes in Focus: Visualizing air pollution from gas stoves*, local non-profit Beyond Toxics provides data analysis and a shocking short documentary showing camera footage of the gas emissions from stoves in Eugene homes. On December 11, 2023, dozens of Oregon organizations and elected officials wrote to the Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum, calling for an investigation into NW Natural's unscrupulous tactics. Stay engaged with this issue by checking out the resources linked in the QR codes below.

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